CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication:	IMG_6275.JPG
Other known title(s):	Not stated
OFLC ref:	1900203.038
Medium:	Image File
Publisher:	Not stated
Country of origin:	Not stated
Language:	Not applicable
Applicant:	Commissioner of Police
Classification:	Objectionable.
Descriptive note:	None
Display conditions:	None
Date of entry in Register:	02 August 2019
Date of direction to issue a label:	No direction to issue a label has been issued
Date of notice of decision:	02 August 2019

Summary of reasons for decision:

The image file contains a sexualised image of a young teenage boy. It is classified objectionable under s3(3)(b) of the Films, Videos and Publications Classification Act 1993 because it exploits the nudity of its young subject to such a degree that its availability would be injurious to the public good. This classification interferes with the right to freedom of expression provided by the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, however it is reasonable and justified in order to prevent injury to the public good. It also reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from exploitation.